

ITEM: 5

SUBJECT: El Dorado Irrigation District, Deer Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant,
El Dorado County

BOARD ACTION: *Consideration of Resolution Amending NPDES Permit and Resolution
Amending Cease and Desist Order.*

BACKGROUND: WDR Order No. R5-2002-0210, NPDES No. CA0078662, contains receiving water limitations in Deer Creek for pH, turbidity, and temperature with which the El Dorado Irrigation District has not been able to comply. Cease and Desist Order No. R5-2002-0211, adopted by the Regional Board on 6 December 2002, included a time schedule for completion of Basin Plan Amendments (BPA) for site-specific pH, turbidity, and temperature objectives for Deer Creek. The Regional Board adopted BPAs for pH and turbidity on 19 July 2002 and for temperature on 31 January 2003. In the Basin Planning Process, the State Water Resources Control Board (State Board), State of California Office of Administrative Law, and US EPA must approve these BPAs before the BPAs become effective. The pH and turbidity amendments became effective on 22 January 2003 and the Discharger must now comply with them. Amendments are proposed for Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. R5-2002-0210 to incorporate the recent BPAs for pH and turbidity water quality objectives into the Findings and Receiving Water Limitations. Due to the length of the BPA approval process, the time schedule in CDO No. R5-2002-0211 Amendment 1 will not accommodate the remaining BPA approval process for temperature and amendments are proposed.

ISSUES: All of the issues have been resolved and the item is expected to be uncontested.

Mgmt. Review: _____
Legal Review: _____

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